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**Subject:** RE: South Fork revisit June 30

Wayne and Mesia:

Gregg is out of the office for a few days so I thought that I would go ahead and respond to your e-mail. I agree with your approach Wayne, to delaying the visit by all of the parties involved - with one caveat. As was discussed during the two field visits, we want to make certain the final reclamation of the road is acceptable to all parties involved. Gregg has put together a general plan that describes what we are planning to do. However, without spending a great deal of time and money to survey the 1000 feet of road and draw cross-sections every 100 feet from which we would then draw proposed reclamation surfaces, I think it is important all parties are comfortable with what Gregg's plan indicates will be the final product.

As the plan states, Skyline will remove additional stored topsoil from the upper end of the road along with material that will be removed from the road's outslope to place against the steep cut slope on the uphill side of the road. It is likely, however, there is not enough material to completely remove the cutslope from upper end of the road. We will do our best to do so within the constraints dictated by the volume of material available for fill. I hate to sound like a broken record on this but this was a road built by someone other than Skyline Mine at least 15 to 20 years before we used it. It is likely some of the material originally sidecast downslope from the road was washed away by the stream when it runs and is no longer available for reclamation. My point is that I don't want anyone to be mislead into thinking original contour will be achieved in all locations.

Skyline Mine wants this project to go smoothly and result in the best product reasonably attainable. We do not want to go back in on this road again once the work has been completed. To this end, we are asking the regulatory agencies to please have someone on site at least part of the time to observe the work being conducted. This job should take less than a week to complete, at least the dirt work portion. It would be helpful to us if Wayne Western, Steve Demczak, Dana Dean, or Pricilla Burton could spend a few hours at the site at the beginning of the project and at least one or two hours on each of the following days. I would also ask of Mesia the Forest have Mike Smith, Dale Harber, or Tom Lloyd available during the same time period. Gregg Galecki or I will be on site most of the time during this operation. Having these representatives on site at the same time would allow suggestions to be considered by all parties and changes implemented at that time, provided all parties agree.

Skyline would like to perform this project in July of this year. We are planning to have a site walk-through with the bidding contractors this week. Once we get responses back from the Division and Forest, we will set a start date with the successful bidder.

We appreciate the Division's and the Forest's help in this matter and look forward to a successful and satisfactory completion of this reclamation project. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Chris

-----Original Message-----

From: Wayne Hedberg [mailto:WAYNEHEDBERG@utah.gov]  
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Subject: Re: South Fork revisit June 30

Last Friday afternoon (June 17th), Gregg emailed some reclamation plan details that were based upon the results of last Thursday's joint agency onsite visit to the South Fork access road. If all parties are in agreement, I'd suggest using June 30th as a tentative target date for sending our review responses back to Gregg Galecki, instead of conducting another onsite visit. I'm not sure we would gain very much from another visit at this time. Just my opinion. . . How does the rest of the group feel?

>>> Priscilla Burton 6/17/2005 4:04 PM >>>

Hello Mesia and Tom,

During the site visit on July 16, the need for a return to the site on June 30 was discussed. The U.S.F.S representatives were in agreement that a return to the site was not necessary prior to having the work conducted.

Would you like to return to South Fork with the plan in hand, prior to the work being conducted?

Please let me know whether to cancel the June 30 site visit.

Thanks,  
Priscilla.

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